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### ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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# Notice of Special Council Meeting – February 2, 2006, Ellensburg, WA

You are invited to attend and participate in a Special Meeting of the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC or Council), scheduled as follows:

When: Thursday February 2, 2006, starting at 1:00 p.m.

- Wild Horse Wind Power Project 1:00 p.m.: Request to amend the Wild Horse Wind Power Project Site Certification Agreement. The Council will take Public Comment, and will then consider and take action on the request.
- **Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project 2:00 p.m.**: Re-opened Public Comment hearing on the Supplemental Draft EIS for the Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project

**Where:** Fine Arts Building - Kittitas County Fairgrounds

**512 N Poplar Street** 

Ellensburg, Washington, 98926

## 1:00 pm – Wild Horse Wind Power Project: Request to Amend the Wild Horse Wind Power Project Site Certification Agreement.

Public comment opportunity!

The Council will accept **oral comments** regarding PSE's request to amend the Wild Horse Project Site Certification Agreement at the EFSEC Special Meeting on February 2, 2006, starting at 1:00 p.m.. The Council will then consider the request and take action to approve or deny the amendment.

Written comments about the request for amendment can also be sent to the attention of Allen Fiksdal, EFSEC Manager, EFSEC, PO BOX 43172, Olympia, WA 98504-3172, by e- mail to efsec@cted.wa.gov, or by fax to (360) 956-2158. To be considered, written comments must be received in the EFSEC office by 5:00 pm. February 1, 2006. Written comments may also be submitted in person during the Public Comment portion of the February 2, 2006, EFSEC Meeting in Ellensburg, Washington.

In December 2005, Puget Sound Energy (PSE) requested that EFSEC amend the Site Certification Agreement (SCA) for the Wild Horse Wind Power Project to allow the following changes:

- (1) Addition of a 12,000 square foot Maintenance Center to the project site near Vantage highway, including the Informational Kiosk and Visitor Parking, including a separate septic system and an exempt water well;
- (2) A re-alignment of a portion of the 230 kilovolt (kv) Transmission Feeder Line on the Project Site.

  Additional information about this request is available from the EFSEC office by contacting Irina Makarow at (360) 956-2047, or on EFSEC's Website at: www.efsec.wa.gov/wildhorse.html.

# 2:00 pm – Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project: Re-Opened Hearing on the Kittitas Valley Project Supplemental Draft EIS.

Why is the Council re-opening the hearing on the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS)?

EFSEC originally issued the SDEIS for the Kittitas Valley Project in August 2004. At that time EFSEC noticed issuance of the document, accepted written comments, and conducted a public hearing in Ellensburg. The SDEIS was issued to supplement the Draft EIS with an analysis of offsite alternatives. One comment received by the Council questioned whether the public was given enough notice of the public hearing, as required by the State Environmental Policy Act. EFSEC believes that the hearing was conducted as required. However, since the Council will be in Ellensburg, the Council will briefly re-open the hearing on the SDEIS to allow an additional opportunity for the public to comment.

What comments will the Council accept?

The purpose of the hearing is for interested persons to submit comments on the Supplemental Draft Environmental Statement issued in August 2004. Persons can make oral comments at this hearing, or can submit a written comment at this hearing. EFSEC will consider comments received on February 2<sup>nd</sup> in its preparation of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for this Project.

Additional information about the Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project is available from the EFSEC office by contacting Irina Makarow at (360) 956-2047, or on EFSEC's website at:

www.efsec.wa.gov/kittitaswind.html

Copies of the Application for Site Certification and SEPA documents issued by EFSEC regarding the Kittitas Valley Project, including the SDEIS, are available for public reference at the following local libraries:

> Carpenter Memorial (Cle Elum) Library 302 Pennsylvania Ave Cle Elum, WA 98922-1196

Ellensburg Public Library 209 N Ruby Ellensburg, WA 98926

Brooks Library Central Washington University 400 E. University Way Ellensburg, WA, 98926

## Do you have a question or need a document?

Additional information and documents about these two projects are available on the EFSEC web site at: <a href="http://www.efsec.wa.gov">http://www.efsec.wa.gov</a>, or by contacting Irina Makarow at (360) 956-2047, or <a href="mainto:irinam@cted.wa.gov">irinam@cted.wa.gov</a>. If you require special accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact Ms. Makarow as soon as possible.

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Dated in Olympia, Washington this 20th day of January, 2006.

By: Allen J. Fiksdal, EFSEC Manager